Rs. 412 crore from the Sugar Development Fund. An additional amount of Rs. 374 crore would be released by banks on account of the buffer stock.

Foodgrains for PDS

†1694. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of foodgrains required for distribution under PDS for the families living below and above poverty line in various States, particularly, in Bihar and Jharkhand during last three years, year-wise;

(b) the quantity demanded, allocated and actual offtake by the said States during the above period;

(c) the actual price of the foodgrains during the said period and the price at which these foodgrains were provided to the families living Below Poverty Line; and

(d) the positions of FCI with regard to profit and loss in the process?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI U.V. KRISHNAM RAJU): (a) and (b) The present total allocation of foodgrains (APL, BPL and Antyodaya families) in various States is 28.78 lakh tonnes of rice and 30.53 lakh tonnes of wheat per month under the Targeted Public Distribution System.

The quantity of foodgrains allotted to Bihar and Jharkhand during last three years, year-wise and quantity lifted by these States are as under:—

(*Quantity in* '000 *tones*)

		Allocation		Offtake	
		BPL	APL	BPL	APL
1		2	3	4	5
1999-2000					
Bihar	Wheat	618.480	242.560	641.930	17.080
	Rice	412.320	95.040	234.350	2.220
Jharkhand	—	—	—	—	--

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

1		2	3	4	5
2000-2001					
Bihar	Wheat	1126.260	129.908	428.651	1.081
	Rice	750.840	86.604	131.445	1.032
Jharkhand	Wheat	110.700	12.652	72.526	0.067
	Rice	73.800	8.436	14.150	0.120
2001-2002					
Bihar	Wheat	1164.501	104.604	313.475	0.325
	Rice	656.370	69.732	64.639	0.686
Jharkhand	Wheat	340.491	37.956	152.531	0.861
	Rice	227.000	25.308	76.529	5.609

(c) and (d) The economic cost of foodgrains of FCI during last three years are as under:

	(Rs. per quintal)	(Provisional)
	Rice	Wheat
1999-2000	1074.80	887.51
2000-2001	1180.47	858.26
2001-2002	1204.35	871.30

Central Issue Price of wheat and rice issued under TPDS to BPL category w.e.f. 25.7.2000 are Rs. 415/- per quintal and Rs. 565/- per quintal respectively. The difference between the economic cost and the Central issue price of foodgrains is reimbursed to FCI through food subsidy by the Government. This is not a profit or loss making operation.

Withdrawal of rice from FCI godowns

1695. SHRI YADLAPATI VENKAT RAO: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Andhra Pradesh has proposed to the Centre that it should be allowed withdrawal of rice from the Food Corporation of India godowns within the State; and

(b) if so, Government's reaction in this regard?